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Message from Lori Hubble, Director

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Friends of the Look Up Center,

Putting thoughts into words for this newsletter is bittersweet and emotional as this is the last letter I will write before my retirement from the role of Executive Director of Look Up Ministries and move on to the next chapter of my life. I will continue in this role through August 23, 2024.

We started this newsletter in 2019 to communicate to our friends and supporters the wonderful opportunities, programs, events, and partnerships that are offered through the Look Up Center. It has been a true blessing to look back through many issues and see all that the Lord has done at LUC through all the volunteers and staff

that continue to, "KEEP GOOD GOING".

My time at Look Up Ministries has been the best and most blessed assignment of my life. I have learned so much about this mission, our community, our partnerships, and myself. I have grown in my faith in ways I never knew possible. I have learned to lean into and place ultimate trust in the ONE who directs our steps at Look Up, the God who never leaves us or forsakes, who says, "take my hand" and I will show you the way.

It has been an honor to work with and learn from committed and enthusiastic volunteers and staff members over the years. I am appreciative beyond measure to the community organizations and leaders, private business partners, non-profit organizations, churches, and philanthropic organizations for enriching our efforts. They have been inspirational allies in upholding the Look Up Centers mission.

I am grateful for the continued guidance and supportive leadership of our Board members, especially during challenging times. They have been partners with me and our team in ensuring that the mission to serve the community through Christ centered love, education, and encouragement continued.

It has been a blessing and a privilege to be part of Look Up Ministries, and it will continue to hold a special place in my heart.

One thing that stands out above and beyond all else is PASSION. PASSION and love for Jesus, for each other, for our communi-

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ty and church, and for all of those who participate and help with our programs. Having worked in both the for-profit world and the not-for-profit world, I know that there is no greater reward than the opportunity to work with passionate volunteers in an outstanding organization.

In closing, being here to celebrate our 20th Anniversary as a non-profit in Licking County has been a true joy. We recently launched a YouTube Channel with our 20th Anniversary video. I hope you will take a moment to click on the link: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JuKmzjEb8e8</u>

In His Joy,

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Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness. Colossians 2:7



COMMUNITY PARTNERS THANK YOU!

This is our new Dental X-ray machine that <u>First United Methodist Newark</u>, <u>Ohio</u> donated money for to purchase for Look Up Dental! This updated machinery gives our dental clinic the ability to take clearer x-rays and give our patients the best care possible. Thank you for the generous donation to make this purchase possible! We appreciate you, First United!





Thank you, <u>The Energy Cooperative</u> for partnering with us! Your generous Round Up grant will be used for replacing our single pane windows in our Skilled Trades classroom! We appreciate the investment into our facility!

HUGE SHOUT OUT to <u>Reynoldsburg Community Church</u> and <u>Cornerstone Church</u> for coming together and helping get some work done around our facility this week! Being the hands and feet of Jesus to serve the community is what we are all

about and seeing people volunteer their time and effort to make our building shine a little brighter is amazing! And very much appreciated! THANK YOU!







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Meet Thompson! He had the great idea to take lemons and turn them

into lemonade at a recent yard sale, and donate the proceeds of his lemonade stand to the Look Up Center and our programs! Way to be a mover and shaker in your community, Thompson!!



Thank you

Englefield Oil Company for their donation of coffee cups to us last week! We appreciate you!



Thank you, Newark Catholic HS Serve Day volunteers. You made our center look great outside!



Thank you to <u>Newark Naz</u> for helping clean our kitchens last week! It was a big job and they knocked it right out! We appreciate you!



The Licking County Board of Realtors donated \$5000 to the STEP program. Presenting the check are Patty Osborn, Maxine Becker, Ray Brinkley and Cyndi Layton.

These funds will be used to continue providing education to trades students and provide resources to keep our program running at the highest level. When students go through our program, they aren't just learning electric and construction. They experience the love of Jesus too.

AUTOMOTIVE BASICS 101 CLASS

WHAT IS COVERED IN THIS 6 WEEK CLASS:

- General Automotive Safety
- Cooling Systems
- Battery Systems
- Tire Maintenance
- Electrical Systems
- Brake Systems
- Other Basic Information

Class starts July 11th and runs through August 15th

COST IS JUST \$25!

OPEN TO AGES 16 AND OVER!

Starts Thursday, July 11 and runs for six weeks through Thursday, August 15th!

Class is every Thursday from 6-8 pm

Cost is \$25 to cover the entire 6 week class

Open to ages 16 and over! This course is great for new drivers, seasoned drivers, and individuals who want to learn more about automotive maintenance!

Call 740-345-6026 for details on how to register!



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My Cup Overflows-Women's Night of Worship by Kirsten

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I have been involved with worship since I was in my early teens. I was raised in a worship-leading family where sometimes the whole worship team was the family! But worship has always been the best way for me to connect with the Lord and when I started at Look Up Center in March, God laid it on my heart to put a worship night together for women from any church and any background to come together collectively and worship. That is what we did Friday night! We had over 60 women attend and our team consisted of members from churches around the area. We sang 10 songs, had a time of devotion and reflection, and even some prayer at the end.

We are looking forward to having our NEXT night of worship on September 18th at 6:30pm, so mark your calendars!



2024 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

We celebrated our Look Up Center volunteers at the 2024 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner! We had so much fun, the food was amazing, and we genuinely enjoyed our fellowship together. The Look Up Center volunteers are a critical component to the success of the center. Ray Brinkley was Volunteer of the Year and Kirk Brown won the Above and Beyond Award. Congratulations to both outstanding servants of the Lord.

We want to SHOUT OUT a few individuals and businesses that helped make our event extra special: Thank you to R & M Bakery for our customized cookies! Thank you to Big Apple Cafe At Apple Tree Auction Center for the gift cards! Thank you to Kicks Mix Bookstore for the gift card! Thank you to Youngs Yummy Treats for the gift card! Thank you to Wilson's Garden Center for the table plants and flowers! Thank you to @Catering by the Grill for the amazing food we had!

Our community surrounds us with their investment of time and resources to bless those around us. We are so thank-











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Glory Rising

Glory Rising is hosting summer activity days. There's still time to join in on the FUN! Kids 4-10yrs welcome. The remaining dates are 6/26, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24, 7/31 and 8/7. Call Stephanie @ 740-345-6026 to register.



REGISTRATION FOR GLORY RISING PRE-SCHOOL: CONTACT STEPHANIE@LOOKUPCENTER.ORG



We are excited to start year 3 of Glory Rising and our seats are filling up fast. If you have been looking for a faith-based, halfday learning program for your children ages 3-5 this is the place to be. Come grow and learn with us!

For additional questions or to schedule a tour please contact Stephanie @ 740-345-6026.





Skilled Trades Employment Program (STEP)

Bless all his skills, O Lord, and be pleased with the work of his hands. Deuteronomy 33:11

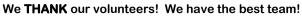
Students in our 11th STEP completed the NCCER Core Construction pre-apprenticeship program and their First Day on the Job Electrical Skills. Our students are OSHA and Forklift certified! A special Thank You to Robertson Construction and Chris Ahn for certifying our students in OSHA and Eric Richeson and TJ Harvey from Hope Timber for Forklift!

Our Faith Partners included Dave Pagura, Annette Pagura, Homer Woody, Joe Carbaugh, Jim Gorter, Dana Hartman, Ray Brinkley, Carla Kiernan, and Amy Davis. If you would like to be a Faith Partner, please let Beth know!

If you want to provide a lunch for the Faith Partner Monday lunches or a dinner on Mondays or Tuesdays, please let Beth know at Beth@LookUpCenter.org or text her at 740.973.9460.

Teachers are Ray Brinkley, Jim Gorter, Dana Hartman, and Howard Brest. We are thankful to have had Howard sharing his electrical teaching skills with the STEP students these past couple of years and wish him well as he and his wife are moving closer to their children. Do you have a calling to share your electrical or construction skills with our students? We would love for you to join our team!











STEP #12 begins August 19, 2024.

Applications are being accepted. Stop into the Look Up Center to complete the application or contact Beth@LookUpCenter.org or 740.973.9460 for answers to your questions. We are accepting high school seniors interested in this InDemand career area. Classes are Mondays and Tuesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Ask Beth about the High School Senior Incentive!

Program Sponsors and Supporters





GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

We have been blessed with a \$10,000 MATCH donation celebrating our 20-year Anniversary! We have served over 1 million residents over the past 20 years and hope to continue for many more! We serve the community through our preschool, Opportunity store, dental clinic, and our skilled trades program, as well as being a central location for the community to gather for events for all ages! We are dedicated to serving Licking County in ways to help it grow and thrive!

When you donate to Look Up Center, your dollars stay local. Double the gift! Double the impact!

To have your gift matched by our 20-year Anniversary Celebration \$10k donor, please click here: <u>https://lookupcenter.harnessgiving.org/donate/...</u>

WILL YOU CONSIDER BECOMING A <u>MONTHLY DONOR</u>? (\$20 a month celebrating our 20th Anniversary)

As a monthly supporter you can help provide training, education, medical assistance, food, clothing, and basic needs for Licking County residents. Regular monthly gifts provide a consistent, reliable income stream that allows us to spend less time fundraising—and more time helping others. Becoming a monthly supporter is an easy, efficient, and tax-deductible way to make a difference all year long.



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